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## **Public Affairs Awards Winners of the Annual Essay Contest**



The Public Affairs section presented certificates and cash awards to winners who participated in the sixth PAS Essay contest. Participants in the competition were required to write an essay of in English or Swahili on the topic “Identify new and innovative ways to encourage young people to play a larger role in changing the country”. All entries were marked of 40 and the winners were awarded. The winning school and the runners up – each received a two and one-year scholarship for a disadvantaged student(s) respectively.

The Essay Competition is intended to stimulate research and writing on issues relevant to the community. The youth constitute a large part of the Kenyan population, it's therefore necessary to engage them on issues that are relevant to them and Kenya at large. It is hoped that the essays will help foster a sense of responsibility for our youth in Kenya. The essays has helped engage the youth in discussing issues that are relevant to the community as well as developing creative skills.

Winners were as follows

### **Schools**

1. Bungoma High School emerging - winner
2. Kisumu Girls – Runners up

### **The English essay**

1. Agness Anyango – Kisumu Girls High School, Kisumu
2. Saada Hafidh Mohammed – Tauheed Girls Secondary School, Malindi
3. Fauzia Waithera – Maragua Muslim, Muranga

### **The Swahili essays**

1. Mutibo Jefferson – Bungoma High School, Bungoma
2. Hadiya Zeitun Godhana – Yusuf Haji Girls, Wajir

Adhiambo Tshyvonn Jennifer – St Mary Mumias Girls High School, Mumias